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One of the times I'm glad I'm all grown up is when I sneak out for that cup of coffee. Maybe it tastes better because I'm sneaking, but in that moment, I feel truly alive. ...I think I'm getting old. Heh.

— Yoshiyuki Nishi

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Vol.5 **Swallows in the Wind**

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# Dramatis Personae

Soratsugu Madoka (Enchu)



Muhyo's old classmate. Many thought he was destined to become an executor, but one event turned him traitor to the Magic Law Association.

Yoichi Himukai (Yoichi)



Judge and Muhyo's former classmate. Expert practitioner of all magic law except execution.

Toru Muhyo (Muhyo)



Genius elite practitioner of magic law, one of the youngest to achieve the highest rank of "Executor." Always calm and collected (though sometimes considered cold due to his tendency to make harsh comments), Muhyo possesses a strong sense of justice and has even been known to show kindness at times. Sleeps a lot to recover from the exhaustion caused by his practice. Likes: *Jabin* (a manga). Dislikes: interruptions while sleeping.

## The Story

Magic law is a newly established practice for judging and punishing the increasing crimes committed by spirits; those who use it are called "practitioners." Malevolent ghost Face-Ripper Sophie escapes from the bottom-most level of the prison Arcanum but is defeated by Muhyo and friends. All seems well until Biko's beloved teacher Rio suddenly turns against them! The burden of a painful past had grown too heavy, pushing her to become in league with the traitor Enchu. Realizing her imminent betrayal, Yoichi races to warn Muhyo, but it isn't enough to turn the tide. Now Muhyo is exhausted, and the only hope for the gang is Biko's secret elixir...if it works!

Yu Abiko (Biko)



Muhyo's classmate and an artificer. Makes seals, pens, magic law books, and other accoutrements of magic law.

Rio Kurotori (Rio)



Biko's teacher and a renowned artificer. While artificers can make the tools of the magic law trade, they cannot use them.

Jiro Kusano (Roji)



Assistant at Muhyo's office and a "Second Clerk," the lowest of the five ranks of practitioners of magic law. Roji cries easily, is meek and gentle, and has been known to freak out in the presence of spirits. Irritated at his own inability to help Muhyo, Roji has devoted himself to studying magic law. Likes: tea and cakes. Dislikes: scary ghosts and scary Muhyo.



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# ALL OR NOTHING



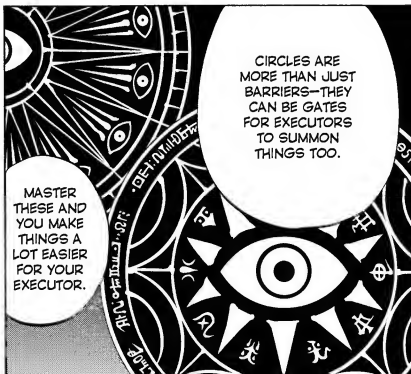




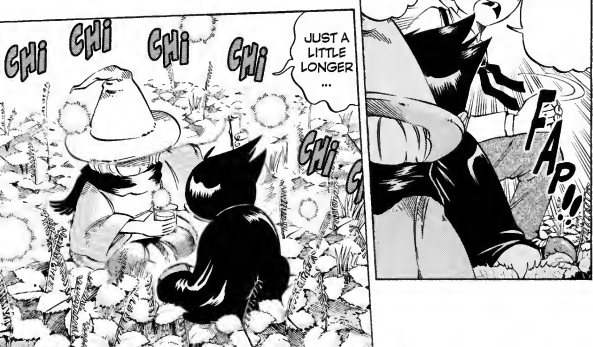














DON'T TELL ME  
WE'RE GOING  
TO EXPLODE.  
HEE HEE.



THAT'S THE TEMPERING  
I COULDN'T GET IN HERE.  
LOOKS LIKE I GOT THE  
AMOUNT WRONG. ANY  
MORE AND...



VZZZ



ZZZ

WHAT  
THE—  
?!

...  
AND  
PUT  
IT IN  
HERE.



BZZB

WE'LL  
BE FINE.  
HERE,  
MUHYO.  
TAKE  
THAT...

NOO...  
YOU  
MESSED  
UP?!



I SAID IT  
WAS TOO  
MUCH

KOFF.  
C'MON,  
GUYS!

VAKOOON

WAIT,  
T-TOO  
MUCH—!

WAUGH!







AND  
IT'S  
ABOUT  
...

...TO  
END!



THIS  
ISN'T  
AS  
EASY  
AS IT  
LOOKS!



THE  
BARRIER'S  
CRACKING!

W  
A  
H  
!



THE REST  
IS UP TO  
YOU.

DONE.  
MUHYO...



HUH?





MY  
FIRST  
BATCH  
EVER.

TEMPER-  
ROOT  
WATER.



THAT'S  
WHAT  
TEACH  
TOLD ME.

THE SECRET OF  
MAKING THIS  
COMES FROM  
700 YEARS  
AGO.



THAT'S  
SUPPOSED  
TO GET HIS  
TEMPERING  
BACK?



TENS  
OF  
THOU-  
SANDS  
?!

A FEW  
THOUSAND  
MEMBERS  
OF THE  
ASSOCIATION  
AGAINST TENS  
OF THOUSANDS  
OF GHOSTS...

THERE  
WAS A  
GREAT,  
TERRIBLE  
BATTLE...

UNTIL  
THEY  
DRANK  
THIS.

THE  
EXECUTORS  
WERE  
SPENT.



IT'S  
GLOW-  
ING!



YOU  
HAVE  
TO  
REMEM-  
BER!

BIKO!

FW

AP...



SEVEN  
HUNDRED  
YEARS AGO,  
SOME  
OF THE  
EXECUTORS  
DRANK TOO  
MUCH OF IT.  
THEY DIED.



AND IT'S  
BEST IF YOU  
NEVER USE  
IT AT ALL.



IF YOU  
MUST USE  
IT, USE  
ONLY A  
LITTLE.







BURP.  
WELL,  
NOW.



MUHYO  
....! YOU  
DRANK  
THE  
WHOLE  
THING  
?!



HIS  
EYES  
ARE  
BACK  
TO  
NOR-  
MAL!  
AH!!



THANKS,  
YOU TWO.



MU-  
HYO...

SLEEPY...  
MUST MEAN  
SOME OF MY  
TEMPERING'S  
COME BACK.

YAAAA

THAT  
STUFF'S  
PRETTY  
GOOD.

HEY...









YOU'VE  
RECOVERED?  
HOW...?!



MUHYO?!



BY  
THE LAWS  
OF MAGIC,  
SPECIAL  
PROVISION  
SIX...

THAT  
WAND!

FIRST  
THINGS  
FIRST...







I  
PRONOUNCE  
YOU MAGIN-  
ESTHETYZED!



BREAK  
THE  
WAND!

NOW,  
YOICHI!

GOT IT!



SHUP

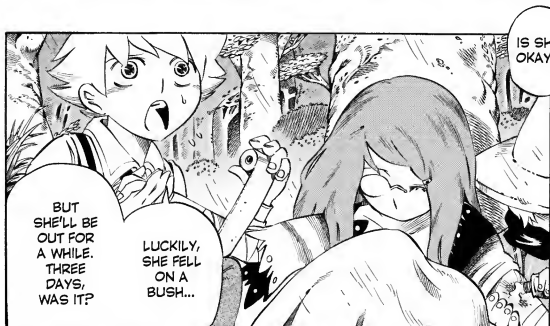




IT'S  
FADING!

THE  
FLAME  
LIZARD!

Shuy



IS SHE  
OKAY?

BUT  
SHE'LL BE  
OUT FOR A  
WHILE.  
THREE  
DAYS,  
WAS IT?

LUCKILY,  
SHE FELL  
ON A  
BUSH...



EH?!

WELL...  
I GUESS,  
IF I HAVE  
TO...

I  
WEAKENED  
IT. JUST  
ENOUGH  
TO KNOCK  
HER OUT.

YOICHI.  
CAN YOU  
OPEN AN  
ENVOY  
GATE?

SHE'S  
BADLY  
BURNT.  
TEACH...YOU  
SHOULDN'T  
HAVE USED  
THAT  
WAND.







EVEN IF  
YOU'RE  
NOT 100  
PERCENT  
SURE  
ABOUT  
IT.



MUHYO...

MAYBE YOU  
SHOULD TELL  
US WHAT  
YOU'RE  
PLANNING  
FIRST?



WE KNEW  
FROM THE  
START  
THE ODDS  
WEREN'T  
IN OUR  
FAVOR!



I'M  
GOING TO  
DESTROY  
THE ENVOY  
TO WHOM  
SHE SWORE  
HER  
FORBIDDEN  
OATH.

I'M  
GOING  
TO BREAK  
HER  
CONTRACT.



HEE  
HEE.

I'D BEEN  
SAVING  
THIS FOR  
*HIM*,  
BUT...

DIDN'T  
THINK I'D  
HAVE TO  
USE IT  
HERE.











R-  
RIGHT!  
SORRY!

HOLD TIGHT  
ONTO THAT,  
OKAY?

HEY,  
ROJI!



SHA

IS  
THAT  
EVEN  
PART  
OF  
MAGIC  
LAW  
...?

LAYING  
A  
HAND  
ON  
AN  
ENVOY  
...

I DON'T  
HAVE MUCH  
TAPE LEFT!



GULP

I'M  
SCARED,  
MUHYO  
...



WHAT  
WOULD  
I-

UM,  
MUHYO  
...

HUH?

WHAT IF  
MUHYO  
DIES?



WHAT  
IF...

WHAT IF  
SOME-  
THING  
GOES  
WRONG?





WHAT'S  
A PORTABLE  
MAGIC  
CIRCLE  
DOING  
OUT  
HERE...?



BIKO  
...

E...  
E-EN...



HEY,  
IS THAT  
CIRCLE  
YOURS...?

POINT



IT'S ALL  
RIGHT.

I'M  
SORRY.



YOU'RE  
LUCKY  
TO HAVE  
SURVIVED.



MU...

...  
HYO  
...





MUHYO'S  
A TOUGH  
NUT TO  
CRACK,  
HMM?



DA  
DAA...

THAT'S...

THAT...

GULP...



Q: WILL YOICHI EVER GRAB ANY BOOBS  
OTHER THAN NANA'S? INQUIRING  
MINDS WANT TO KNOW.

—H.I., TOKYO

A: ...I GET ASKED THIS A LOT, AMAZINGLY  
ENOUGH. LET'S SEND HIM A FAX AND  
ASK, SHALL WE?



YOICHI "...CAN I?"

AUTHOR "...WELL, YOU COULD IF YOU—WAIT, OF COURSE  
YOU CAN'T GO AROUND GRABBING BOOBS!  
GEEZ!"

YOICHI "I KNOW, I KNOW. I JUST CAN'T HELP IT...  
HEH HEH..."

AUTHOR "OH, REALLY NOW..."

YOICHI "YOU GONNA PRINT THIS?"

AUTHOR "HAH. NO, I SUPPOSE NOT. HA HA HA."

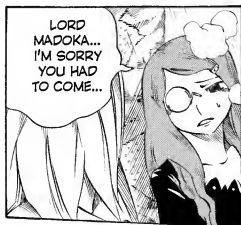
THERE YOU HAVE IT.



ARTICLE 34  
**FACE-OFF**











YOU  
SAVED ME  
A GREAT  
DEAL OF  
TROUBLE.

STILL, TO  
USE AN  
ARTIFACT  
WHILE  
MAGINES-  
THEYZED...  
IMPRESSIVE,  
MISS  
KUROTORI.



THAT'S WHY  
I ALWAYS  
SAY...



IT'S  
BEST TO  
PRACTICE  
FORBIDDEN  
LAW WITH  
FRIENDS!

ARTICLE 34  
**FACE-OFF**



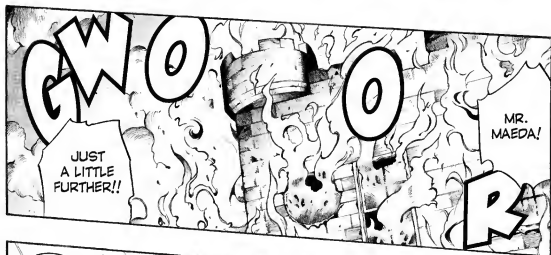


GIVE  
BACK  
MY  
TEACH!



ENCHU...

YOU  
GIVE HER  
BACK...



JUST  
A LITTLE  
FURTHER!!

MR.  
MAEDA!



IF YOU'D  
DIED, I  
DON'T  
KNOW  
WHAT I'D  
DO...

THANK  
GOOD-  
NESS!



HEY,  
I'M A  
PROFES-  
SIONAL.



I'M  
JUST  
GLAD  
YOU'RE  
ALL  
RIGHT...  
KOFF!!



KOFF  
KOFF  
KOFF





I...

HMM?



THERE  
IS  
SOME-  
THING  
I MUST  
TELL  
YOU!

JUDGE  
IMAI...

I'M  
AFRAID  
IT WILL  
TAKE A  
WHILE TO  
REBUILD  
HERE  
THOUGH.

R



...INTO THE  
ARCANUM!!

I LET  
SOMETHING  
THROUGH  
THE GATE...



HEH  
HEH  
HEH...

IT  
LAUGHED!!



I  
COULDN'T  
MOVE!



THERE,  
AMONGST  
THE  
FLAMES, IT  
TURNED  
TO ME.





DIDN'T SHE,  
YOICHI?

SHE  
CAME  
TO ME  
ON HER  
OWN.

BUT BIKO,  
HOW CAN I  
DO THAT?



TWITCH.. TWITCH..

SO  
SHE  
LEFT  
THEM.



THE  
ASSOCIATION  
LEFT HER  
MOTHER  
TO DIE.



SHE  
GOT UN-  
LUCKY.

SHE  
HAD BAD  
NEIGH-  
BORS.

RIO WANTED  
TO STAY  
CLOSE TO  
HER MOTHER,  
SO SHE ONLY  
DEALT WITH  
EXECUTORS  
WHO LIVED  
NEARBY.



SHA

TAP  
TAP

BUT NOT  
ALL OF  
THEM.



PSST,  
BIKO!

ENCHU  
...



THERE'RE  
A LOT OF  
PEOPLE  
IN THE  
ASSOCIATION  
I'D LIKE TO  
SEE LEAVE.

...!!





THE  
BOTH  
OF  
YOU!

WHY  
DON'T  
YOU  
WAKE  
UP?

GET  
READY  
...

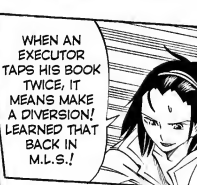


YOUR RIGHT  
HAND AND  
YOUR LIPS  
ARE MOVING,  
ENCHU.



IN A  
HURRY  
TO DO  
SOMETHING?









IT  
DOESN'T  
WORK  
ON ME  
ANYMORE.

BUT,  
MUHYO  
...



THERE AREN'T  
MANY MAGIC  
LAWS THAT  
WORK ON  
HUMANS.

TOO  
BAD.



YOU'RE  
NOT HUMAN  
ANYMORE,  
ARE YOU?



ENCHU  
...



HEE  
HEE... I  
THOUGHT  
SOMETHING  
WAS ODD  
WHEN I DID  
IT TO RIO.

NOW  
I GET  
IT.



WHAT  
?!

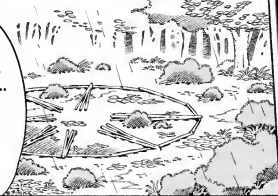
THE  
MAGIN-  
ESTHESIA  
DIDN'T  
WORK  
?!







BY THE WAY,  
THAT CIRCLE...  
BREAKING  
CONTRACT,  
WERE YOU?



YOU  
MIGHT BE  
IN TIME TO  
SAVE RIO.



IT'S  
LIKE  
HAVING  
TEN  
EXTRA  
HANDS!



!!

BUT  
I'M  
AFRAID  
...

**ZIK...**



WAIT,  
THAT'S  
...!

VERY  
CONVE-  
NIENT!



...YOU'RE  
TOO LATE  
TO SAVE ME,  
MUHYO.

**FWIP**

**SHUP...**















SO  
MANY  
GHOSTS,  
ALL  
TOGETHER  
...  
BEAUTIFUL!

FWIP

COME,  
COME...  
YOUR  
FOOD IS  
WAITING.

THIS  
WON'T  
BE  
EASY!

HEH!  
HERE  
COMES  
SOME-  
THING  
UGLY!

IT'S  
COMING  
FROM  
THE  
ARCA-  
NUM!

HMPH.

SHUK  
UR

FIT













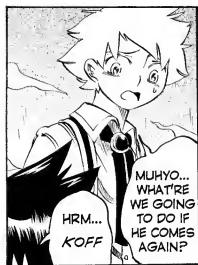
I GUESS  
BEING  
BIG ISN'T  
EVERYTHING.



WON'T  
I, MUHYO?

ZIK

I'LL NEED  
ANOTHER  
SOPHIE.



MUHYO...  
WHAT'RE  
WE GOING  
TO DO IF  
HE COMES  
AGAIN?



BIKO!  
YOICHI!  
THANK  
GOODNESS  
YOU'RE  
OKAY!









I THOUGHT I'D ANSWER LAST VOLUME'S  
 "HOW DID YOU COME UP WITH MAGIC LAW?"  
 QUESTION HERE IN MANGA FORMAT:

# THE ROAD TO MAGIC LAW

BY YOSHIYUKI NISHI



A TRUE STORY



ARTICLE 35  
**THE PROMISE**

MUHYO  
!!!

WELL, HE  
DRANK IT  
ALL AT  
ONCE!

WHAT  
DO YOU  
MEAN, A  
SIDE-  
EFFECT?!

ZWOOSH...

WE'VE GOT  
TO GET  
HIM TO THE ...!  
ASSOCIA-  
TION,  
QUICK!

WHAT  
IS IT?

LORD  
MADOKA.

AND  
THAT  
MEANS  
DEALING  
WITH  
HIM...!





SHE  
CLOSED  
THE GATE  
AND  
BROKE  
THE  
SWITCH.

BUT  
TOO  
LATE.



HMM...  
YOU'D GO  
WELL WITH A  
NICE WINE...  
HEH HEH...

GET  
IN OUR  
WAY,  
WILL  
YOU?



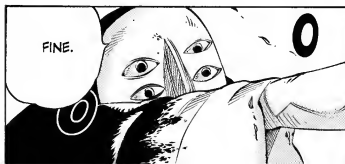
I'VE  
CAUGHT  
A FLY  
IN THE  
OINTMENT.



RETURN  
TO ME.

SHWOO...

DON'T DO  
ANYTHING  
UNNEC-  
ESSARY.



FINE.



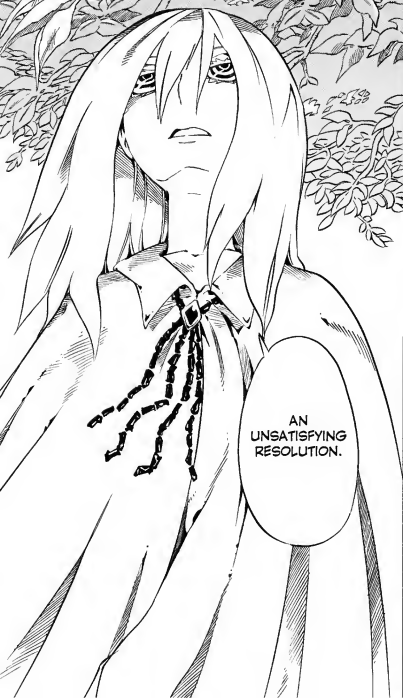
MAEDA!  
R...  
RUN!



J-  
JUDGE  
IMAI!!



ARTICLE 35  
**THE PROMISE**



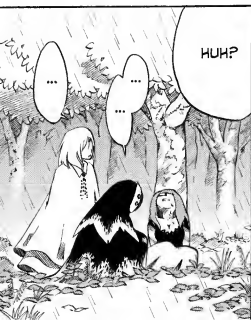
AN  
UNSATISFYING  
RESOLUTION.

















BUT  
I DON'T  
WANT  
HIM TO  
JUST  
DIE.

KRIK

KRII  
IIII  
IIII  
IIII

THAT'S  
NOT  
GOOD  
ENOUGH!

GA GA  
GA  
GA  
GA  
H

YES, WE  
CAN KILL  
MUHYO  
NOW.

URK...

FAP

FAP

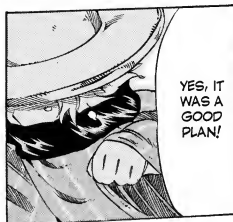
FAP

...MUHYO.

THIS  
ISN'T  
OVER  
...

VERY  
WELL.









MY  
FORBIDDEN  
MAGIC  
LAW  
FRIENDS  
WILL  
COME  
FOR  
YOU!



I WON'T  
LET THAT  
HAPPEN!!



THEY'LL  
TAKE  
YOUR  
HAPPI-  
NESS!



THEY'LL  
DO  
ANYTHING  
FOR MY  
PLANS.

THEY'LL  
TAKE  
YOUR  
FRIENDS,  
ALL THAT  
YOU  
HOLD  
DEAR...





YOU JUST  
TRY TO  
TAKE OUR  
FRIENDS  
AWAY!



ROU!

YOU  
JUST  
TRY!!



WE'LL  
FIGHT YOU  
ALL THE  
WAY!



PLEASE  
WAIT...

RIO!!



TEACH  
...







JUST  
WAIT...



PLEASE  
...



SHUP



G  
R  
P

TEACH  
...



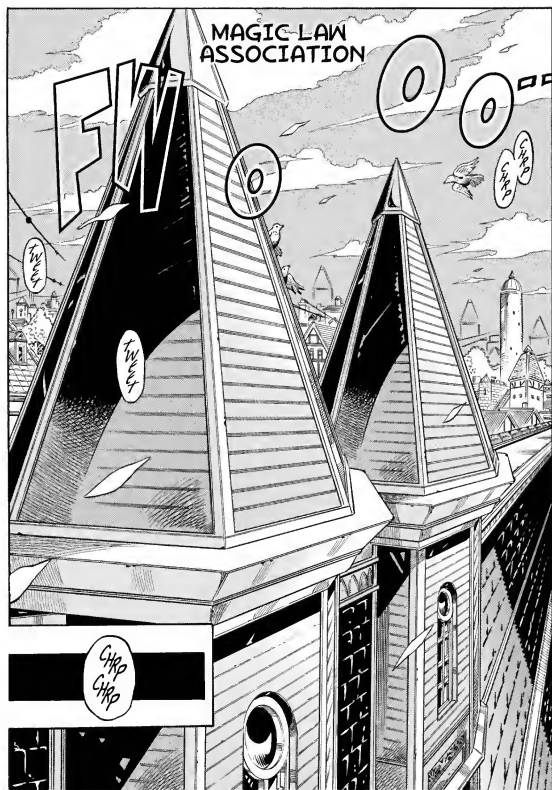
WE'LL  
COME  
FOR  
YOU!!



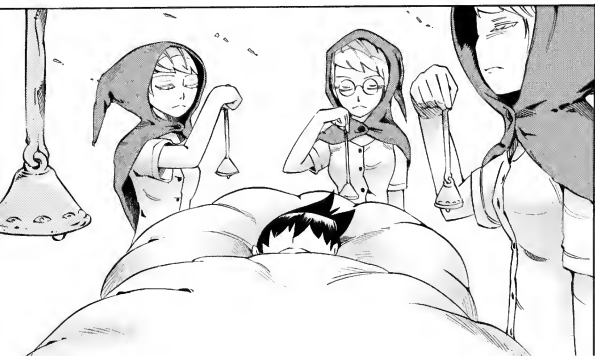
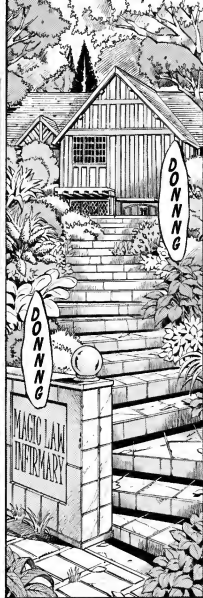
PLEASE!

PLEASE  
BE  
OKAY  
...

















I'M  
SURE  
HE'S  
FINE.

THE  
TEMPERING  
BELLS THE  
HEALERS  
USE DRAW  
THE FATIGUE  
OUT FROM  
THE BODY.

THE  
WORST IT  
CAN DO  
IS CAUSE  
INSOMNIA.



HOPE  
HE'S  
OKAY.

ROJI'S  
STILL  
INSIDE,  
HUH.



HIS  
DEVOTION  
TO  
MUHYO  
IS  
ADMIRABLE.



TRUE.



I  
CAN'T  
BELIEVE  
HE'S  
STILL IN  
THERE!



WHAT  
HAPPENED  
TO MAEDA?

HE'S  
INFORMING  
THE  
RELATIVES  
OF THE  
DECEASED  
WARDENS.



HEH.

I'M  
NO  
PHOE-  
NIX,  
THANK  
YOU.  
I'M  
HUMAN.



GAAAAH

HEY,  
HIMU-  
KAI!

YOU SOME KIND  
OF PHOENIX?

HEY, YOU  
SURVIVING  
THAT INFERNO  
BACK THERE  
WAS PRETTY  
ADMIRABLE  
TOO.













BUZZ  
OFF,  
OLD  
MAN.

HE'S  
MUHYO'S  
TEACHER.



DID YOU  
SEE THAT?  
SHE LEFT,  
MUHYO!  
LEFT!



...  
SERIOUSLY  
?



O-  
OF  
ME?

MUHYO  
AND  
YOICHI  
SPEAK  
HIGHLY  
OF  
YOU.



HEH

HEH

MR.  
KUSANO.  
IT IS A  
PLEASURE  
TO  
FINALLY  
MEET  
YOU.

I'VE  
HEARD  
MUCH  
...

MY  
NAME  
IS  
PAGE  
KLAUS.

JUST  
AN OLD  
EXECU-  
TOR...

HE'S  
REALLY  
BIG UP  
CLOSE!



HUH?



...



GRIN...  
WELL...



BUT I'M  
AFRAID  
I HAVE  
BAD  
NEWS.

KREE

EEK

I  
KNOW  
YOU  
ARE ALL  
TIRED.

FAP  
FAP

BUT  
THEY ARE  
JOINING  
FORCES.

THEY  
SENT  
THIS.

Z  
P

UNTIL  
NOW, THEY  
ACTED  
SEPARATELY.

WE'VE BEEN  
TRACKING  
SEVERAL  
PRACTI-  
TIONERS OF  
FORBIDDEN  
MAGIC  
LAW.

FAP !!

IMAGINE  
THE TIME  
IT TOOK.

...OF  
PEOPLE  
TO KILL.

YOICHI  
HIMUKAI

JIRO  
KUSANO

IT'S  
A  
LIST...

EDGER  
R...th-i

TORU  
MUHYO



## PAGE KLAUS

BIRTHDAY: MAY 25

HEIGHT: 190 CM

LIKES: POETRY  
BRANDY  
SWEETENED COFFEE  
THEATER (BALLET, OPERA)  
WALKS (INCLUDING WALKS  
THAT TURN INTO JOURNEYS)

TALENTS: POETRY (HE THINKS)  
SPEED IRONING  
RAISING PUPILS (HE THINKS)

NOT GOOD WITH: SCUFFED SHOES  
ALL MACHINERY  
ASSOCIATION HANGERS-ON  
PARTIES  
BEAUTIFUL WOMEN



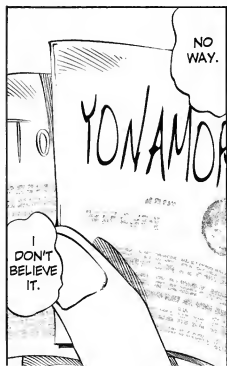


MUHYO & ROJI'S  
BUREAU OF SUPERNATURAL  
INVESTIGATION

ARTICLE 36  
SWALLOWS IN THE WIND









THEY'RE THOROUGH. THESE THINGS LIST PLACE OF BIRTH, RESIDENCE, FAMILY SIZE...EVEN IDENTIFYING CHARACTERISTICS.

HEE  
HEE.

THAT'S WHERE THEY GOT THEIR INFORMATION.

AMONG THE GATHERED FORBIDDEN MAGIC LAW PRACTITIONERS ARE SOME EX-ASSOCIATION MEMBERS.

MOST ARE IMPORTANT MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION OR THEIR FELLOW—

SHP!!

IT'S A THREAT.

THE PURPOSE OF THE LIST IS CLEAR.

ME AND MUHYO! ROJI AND BIKO'RE HERE TOO!

TOMORROW, IF THEY FEEL LIKE IT.

S  
H  
H  
P

THEY'RE SAYING THEY CAN KILL YOU.





...  
MAKES  
ME  
THINK  
THIS.

ONE  
OF  
THEIR  
MEM-  
BERS  
...



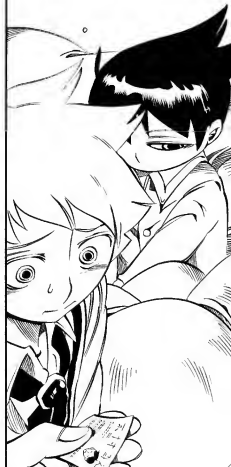
I'M  
SURE  
THEIR  
MEANS  
WILL BE  
CRUEL.

NOT A  
CLEAN  
DEATH.



THEY  
CAN  
KILL  
YOU.

IF  
THEY  
FEEL  
LIKE  
IT...



AND  
EATS  
THE  
LIGHT.

HE  
LURKS  
IN  
DARK-  
NESS.

HIS  
FACE IS  
HIDDEN  
BEHIND A  
MASK.



THERE  
WAS AN  
EVIL AIR  
TO HIM.

HE WAS  
WEARING  
THE  
FOUR-EYED  
MASK.

YES...



MET  
HIM,  
HAVE  
YOU?

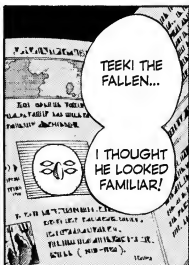
...!!



NOT  
ONE  
WITH  
FOUR  
EYES!

A  
MASK  
...?!







FOR A  
LONG TIME  
NOW. IT'S  
BEEN 800  
YEARS.



THE  
ASSOCIA-  
TION'S  
MARKED  
HIM.

HE  
SHOWS UP,  
MEDDLES IN  
MAGIC LAW  
AFFAIRS...

AND WHEN  
HE'S DONE,  
HE JUST  
DISAPPEARS  
INTO THIN  
AIR!



MEH.

WHAT ARE  
YOU SO  
WORRIED  
ABOUT?

WASN'T  
TEEKI  
SUPPOSED  
TO BE  
THIS BIG  
SECRET?



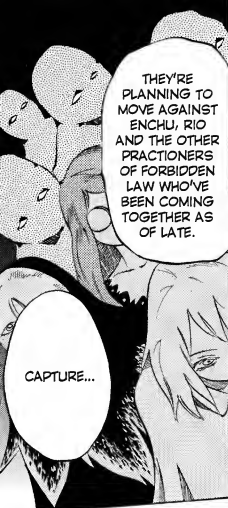
MED-  
DLING,  
HUH.

EITHER  
WAY, HE'S  
IMPOSSIBLE  
TO IGNORE.

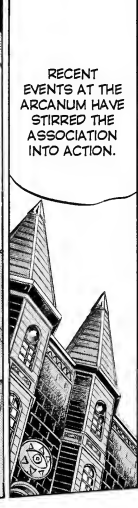
SOME  
SAY  
FORBIDDEN  
LAW MADE  
HIM  
IMMORTAL.  
OTHERS  
SAY  
THAT HE'S  
ALREADY  
A GHOST.







THEY'RE  
PLANNING TO  
MOVE AGAINST  
ENCHU, RIO  
AND THE OTHER  
PRACTITIONERS  
OF FORBIDDEN  
LAW WHO'VE  
BEEN COMING  
TOGETHER AS  
OF LATE.



RECENT  
EVENTS AT THE  
ARCANUM HAVE  
STIRRED THE  
ASSOCIATION  
INTO ACTION.

CAPTURE...



...?



WELL  
...  
NO  
HIDING  
ANYTHING  
FROM YOU,  
IS THERE,  
MUHYO?



CLEAN-  
SING  
...?



SOUNDS  
NICE,  
YES?



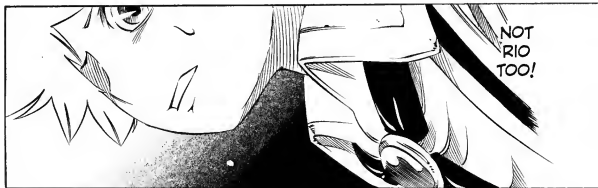
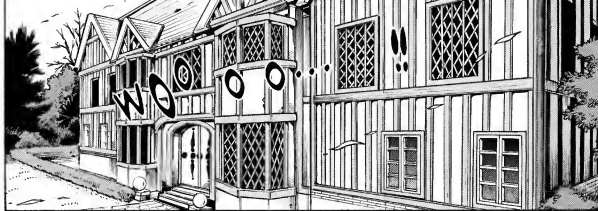
IT'S  
ANY-  
THING  
BUT.



PREPARA-  
TIONS  
HAVE  
ALREADY  
BEGUN.

AND  
MAYBE A  
CLEANSING.













YOU  
CAN'T  
HANDLE  
HIM,  
WEAK  
OLD  
MAN.



...WOULDN'T  
CONSIDER  
LEAVING  
ENCHU TO  
ME?

YOU...



I SHOULD  
HAVE  
TAUGHT  
MY  
TWO PUPILS  
BETTER  
MANNERS...

AS I  
EXPECTED.

HA  
HA  
HA...



MAGIC LAW  
BEGINS  
WITH  
PHYSICAL  
FITNESS!

CHIEF  
INVESTIGATOR  
PAGE WAS  
ENCHU AND  
MUHYO'S  
MAGIC LAW  
INSTRUCTOR.

ONE,  
TWO,  
THREE!  
ONE,  
TWO,  
THREE!

NEXT,  
WE'LL  
RECITE  
POETRY!

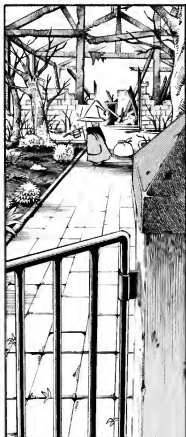


TWO  
PUPILS  
...?  
COULD  
IT BE  
...?



YOU  
GOT IT,  
ROJI.









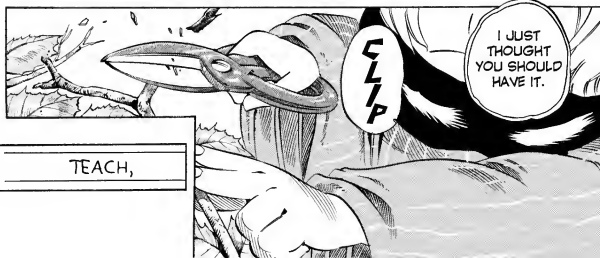
BE-  
SIDES  
...

IF SOME-  
THING  
HAPPENS TO  
ME, YOU CAN  
RETURN IT  
TO HER, RIGHT?



ISN'T  
THIS  
EVI-  
DENCE?

ARE YOU  
SURE  
...?



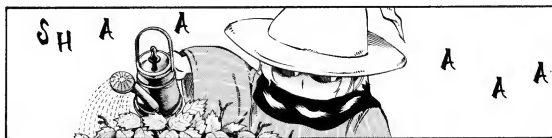
CLIP

I JUST  
THOUGHT  
YOU SHOULD  
HAVE IT.

TEACH,



SORRY FOR WRITING IN YOUR DIARY.



LOOKS LIKE THE RASPBERRIES SURVIVED THE FIRE SOMEHOW.



I'LL TAKE CARE OF THEM FOR WHEN YOU GET BACK.

































# ARTICLE 37 KOKKURI

TEE  
HEE  
HEE  
...

I GOT  
A BAD  
FEELING  
ABOUT  
THIS,  
MUHYO.

BAH.  
WHO  
CARES.







\*THE JAPANESE EQUIVALENT OF A OUIJA BOARD



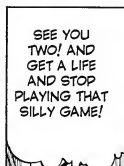






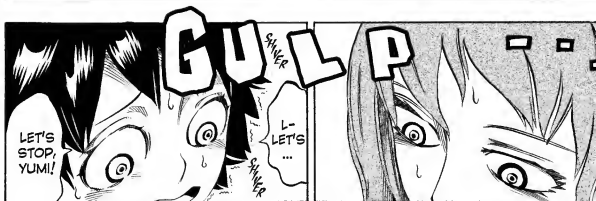




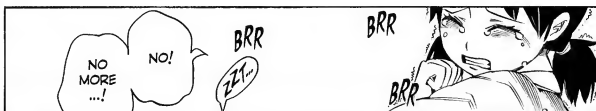




WHAT DO YOU WANT?



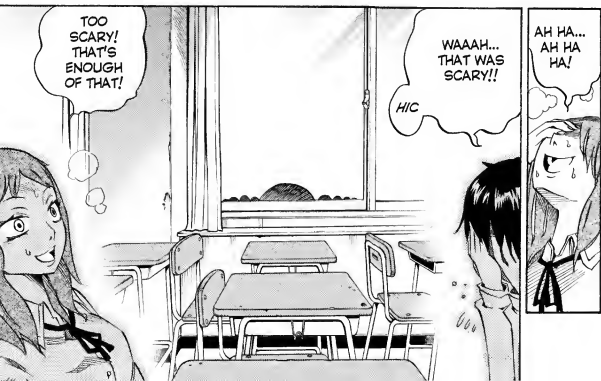
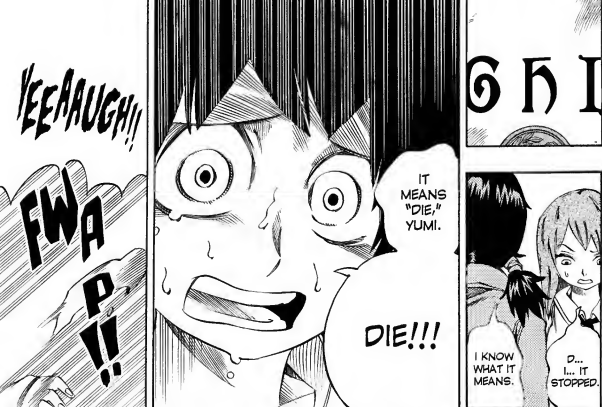
A GHOST



CAN I HELP YOU?



























FOX  
狐

DOG  
狗

NAMED  
AFTER THE  
LOWEST OF  
THE SPIRIT  
ANIMALS—THE  
FOX "KO," THE  
DOG "KU,"  
AND THE  
RACCOON  
"RI."

IT'S A TYPE OF  
SIMPLE  
SEANCE  
IMPORTED FROM  
THE WEST. BUT  
IT'S REALLY  
NOT SO  
SIMPLE...

RACCOON  
狸

...!!

KOKKURI,  
HUH?



A  
MEDIUM  
LIKE  
YOU...

NORMALLY  
IT'S FINE—  
A GAME,  
WHATEVER.  
BUT WITH  
A SPIRIT  
MEDIUM  
NEARBY...

GET  
MY  
DRIFT  
NOW?

WAIT,  
I READ AN  
ARTICLE...

UM...  
SOMETHING  
ABOUT HOW IT  
CALLS DOWN  
SPIRITS AT  
RANDOM... SO  
DEPENDING ON  
THE PERSON OR  
PLACE, IT CAN BE  
DANGEROUS!



BUT  
Y-YOU  
STOPPED  
THEM,  
RIGHT?



WHO  
KNOWS  
WHAT  
MIGHT  
SHOW  
UP?

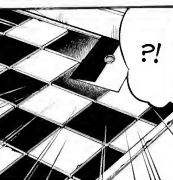






THANKS  
FOR THE  
WARNING!

WAIT,  
I'LL GO  
WITH  
YOU!



?!



NOW I'M  
REALLY  
WORRIED!

I  
HAVE  
TO GO  
CHECK  
ON MY  
FRIENDS!



WELL,  
I TOLD  
THEM TO  
STOP  
...

**S H U P**

!



I GOT  
A BAD  
FEELING  
'BOUT THIS  
ONE.

GORYO OFFICE OF MAGIC LHM



**SLAM**

HEE  
HEE.



LETTER  
FOR YOU,  
MUHYO!

**VWIP!!**



I'LL BE  
RIGHT  
BACK!

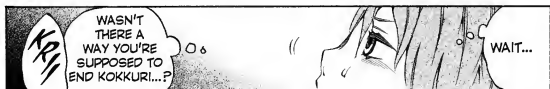
**FW**

**AP**













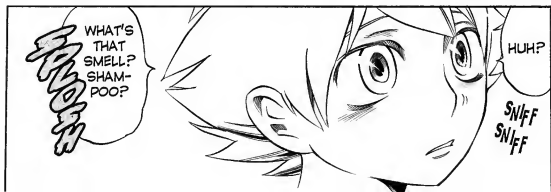
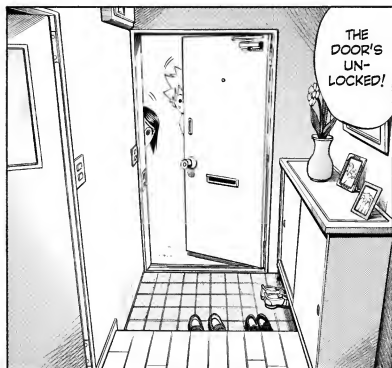
...DIE?

CAN  
I HELP  
YOU...

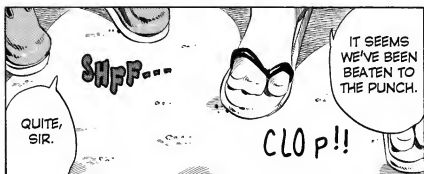
















Q: WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE  
MAGIC LAW SENTENCE?  
-I.K., TOCHIGI PREFECTURE

A: OH, I HAVE A BUNCH. ONE OF  
THE ONES I REMEMBER BEST  
IS THE "NIGHT TRAIN." I RECALL  
DOING A LITTLE DANCE WHEN  
I CAME UP WITH THAT ONE.  
VISUALLY, ONE OF MY FAVORITES  
IS THE "ADMIRAL BELOW." MORE  
RECENTLY, THE "MAGEBOW" IS  
A SIMPLE BUT GOOD ONE. THE  
OTHER ONES ARE SO BUSY, IT  
FELT FRESH AND NEW.



# ARTICLE 38 ENTER GORYO





ARTICLE 38  
ENTER GORYO







## THE STAFF



...BEGINS  
WITH  
SMILING  
FACES!



THE AUTHOR

A  
HAPPY  
WORK-  
PLACE...



CHIEF  
ILLUSTRATOR  
#2



CHIEF  
ILLUSTRATOR  
#1



ASSISTANT  
KIMURA



ASSISTANT  
HIRAISHI

ADDITIONAL  
ASSISTANTS:  
TATSUYA ENDO  
SATOKO NAKAMURA

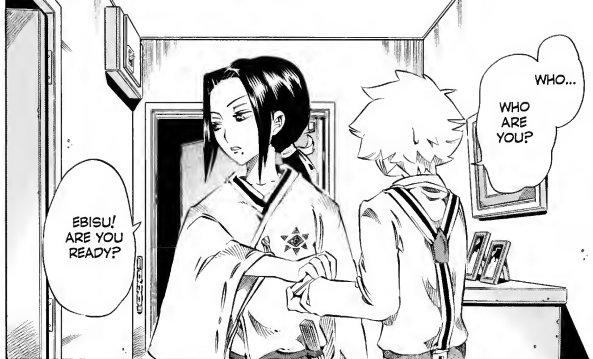




LOOK AT HER!













I  
DECREE  
A ROOT  
RESTORATION!

A  
MAGIC  
LAW!  
BOOK!

HEY...!

SPECIAL  
PROVISION  
85...









OUR  
OPERATIONS  
NOW  
OVERLAP  
WITH THE  
MUHYO  
AGENCY'S  
JURISDICTION.

**FAP!!**

AS IT  
HAPPENS...

WE'RE  
THE GORYO  
OFFICES OF  
MAGIC LAW,  
INCIDENTALLY.

BEST  
GET TO  
KNOW  
US.

**FAP**

THE  
RUMORS  
WERE  
TRUE.

AH  
HAH  
...

THEY'RE  
TOTALLY  
CLUELESS!!!  
BWEE HEE  
HEE HEE!

SNORT

RU-  
MORS  
...?

WHY  
DO YOU  
KNOW MY  
NAME?

YOU'LL  
BE  
SEEING  
A LOT OF  
US, JIRO  
KUSANO.





...!!



YOU'D THINK  
YOU'D BE  
THE TALK  
OF THE  
TOWN!

KINDA SAD,  
SEEING AS  
HOW YOUR  
BOSS IS A  
"GENIUS."



...?!



HA  
HA  
HA

YOU DIDN'T  
THINK SUCH  
A SHODDY  
OPERATION  
AS YOURS  
WOULD GO  
UNNOTICED?



OR MAYBE  
HIS TALENT'S  
DRIED UP,  
HMM?

WELL,  
WHAT  
D'YOU  
THINK?

MUHYO  
IN  
LEAGUE  
WITH  
TRAITORS?

BUT ALL  
WE HEAR  
IS DIRT,  
DIRT AND  
MORE  
DIRT.



NOT  
AGAIN

URK!

AND  
MUHYO'S  
AMAZING,  
YOU...  
YOU  
CLOWN!



ROJI'S  
STILL IN  
TRAINING,  
ANYWAY!

NANA  
...



WHAT  
ARE YOU  
SAYING?!

I MEAN,  
THANK  
YOU FOR  
HELPING  
YUM!...

BUT THAT'S  
PLUS  
... NO WAY  
TO TALK TO  
SOMEONE  
YOU'VE  
JUST MET!



OH, HE'S  
AMAZING,  
TO BE  
SURE.





WE WIN,  
HANDS  
DOWN.

ONE MAN  
DOES NOT  
AN AGENCY  
MAKE.



THE CALIBER OF  
HIS ENVOYS AND  
THE LEVEL OF HIS  
TEMPERING ARE  
ALL WELL ABOVE  
MINE.



AND  
WHEN  
IT  
COMES  
TO  
TEAM-  
WORK...



SN Up

HOW-  
EVER!



NO...  
I GET  
IT.



KEH! YOU  
WOULDN'T  
UNDER-  
STAND!



I'M  
SLOWING  
MUHYO  
DOWN.

YOU'RE  
SAYING  
IT'S MY  
FAULT.



KEE  
KEE  
KEE!



...!!



WHAT'S  
THAT SUP-  
POSED TO  
MEAN ?!





I WISH  
I COULD  
HELP  
MORE.

I  
KNOW.  
I WISH I  
COULD  
USE  
CIR-  
CLES.



HEH.  
MAYBE  
YOU *DO*  
UNDER-  
STAND?

NYAH



ROUJI,  
THAT'S NOT—



*Fwish!!*

BUT...



I'M  
HELPING  
HIM MORE  
THAN  
EVER!

BUT  
I'M  
GETTING  
BETTER!



*TAP*

YOU  
WISH YOU  
COULD  
USE  
CIRCLES  
...?



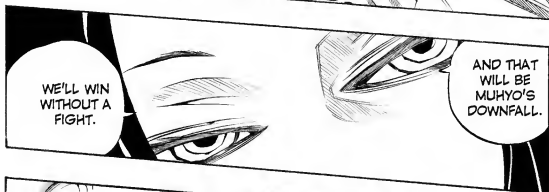
OH...





NO, BOY.

I DON'T  
THINK YOU  
REALLY DO  
UNDERSTAND.



WE'LL WIN  
WITHOUT A  
FIGHT.

AND THAT  
WILL BE  
MUHYO'S  
DOWNFALL.



...  
WHAT IT  
MEANS  
TO BE  
POWER-  
LESS?

DO  
YOU  
EVEN  
KNOW...



WHAT  
ABOUT  
TRAPS?

WHAT  
IF IT  
TOOK A  
HOS-  
TAGE?



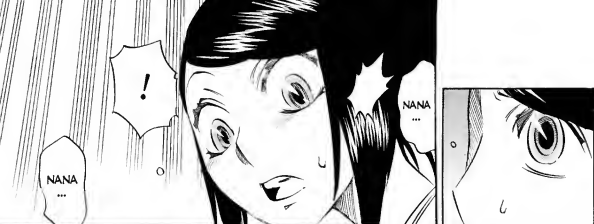
EVEN  
IF YOU  
COULD  
CALL A  
POWERFUL  
ENVOY...

...WHAT  
IF THE  
GHOST  
WAS  
SMARTER  
THAN YOU?

CIRCLES,  
YOU  
SAY?







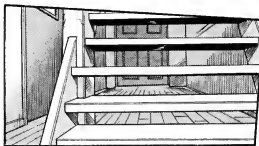
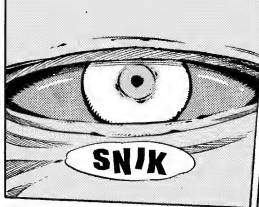




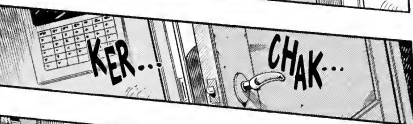
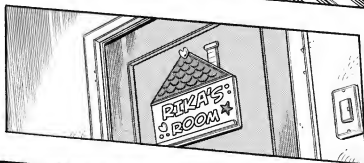
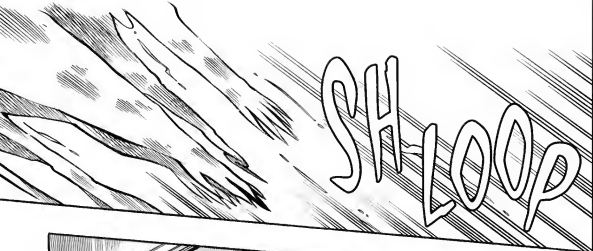




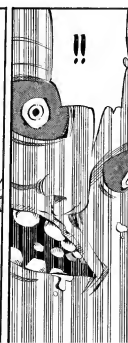




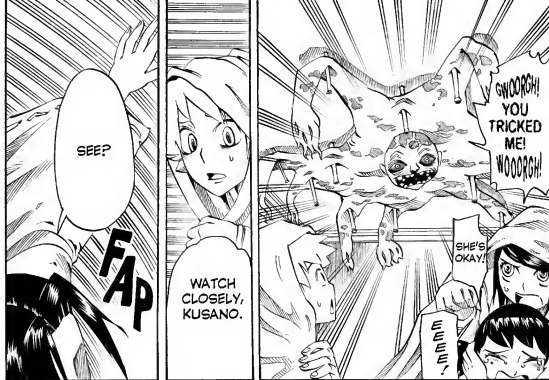














## DARANIMARU GORYO

BIRTHDAY: DECEMBER 12

HEIGHT: 178 CM

LIKES: YOKAN SWEETS

OSHIRUKO MOCHI WITH AZUKI BEANS

SOBA NOODLES

TEA

WALKING THE GARDENS

(AT THE GORYO RESIDENCE)

TALENTS: WRITING (ALL BY BRUSH,

MASTER CALLIGRAPHER)

HEARING EVERYTHING SAID ABOUT HIM

STRATEGIZING

NOT GOOD WITH: BUDGETING MONEY

LOUD NOISE

TRAINS

OILY FOODS

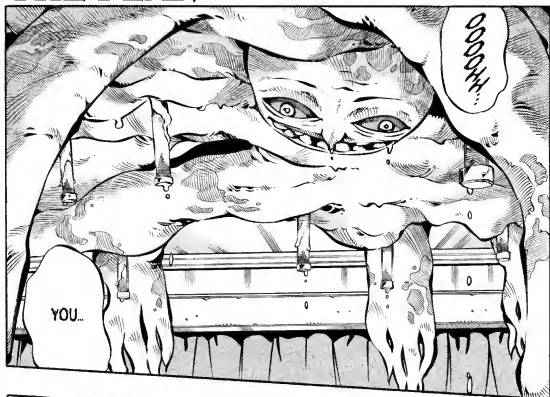
RAW-SMELLING FOODS, ETC.

(A PICKY EATER)

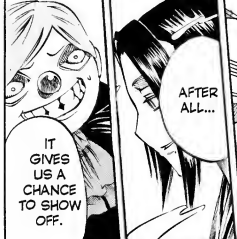




# ARTICLE 39 THE PLAN











SIR!



EBISU!  
MANEU-  
VER 68!



ZUP

?!



Spok!

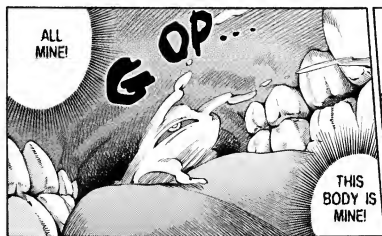
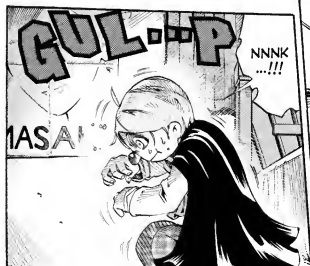


ARTICLE 39  
**THE PLAN**

POK

!! KKKKK !!









WH-  
WHAT'S  
THIS?!



?!  
O  
O



SHUP



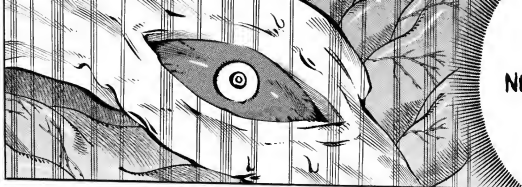
SAFE  
IN  
HERE...

THEY  
CAN'T  
TOUCH  
ME!!

SH  
G  
W

O  
O  
O  
O





NO!!!



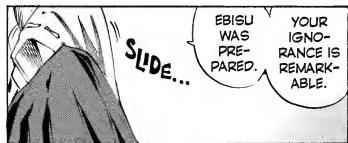
GRIN



THAT SCREAMING'S COMING FROM HIS STOMACH!

WHAT'S GOING ON?!

WHAT ...



SLIDE...

EBISU WAS PREPARED.

YOUR IGNORANCE IS REMARKABLE.



KYAA...  
AAA...  
AAH!



THAT IS WHY THE GHOST SCREAMS.

HE ATE THESE ORBS OF DISSIPATION.











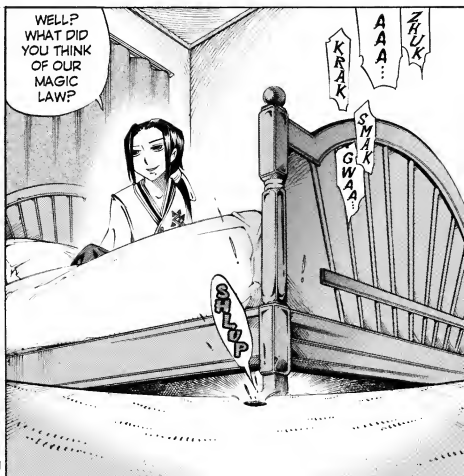
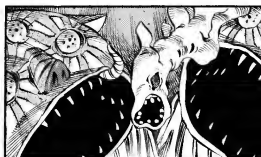
I  
SENTENCE  
YOU  
TO THE  
CAVERN  
OF THE  
TIGERS!

POK

BEGONE!











HER PARENTS MAY BE PRIESTS, BUT THAT'S NO PROTECTION FROM AN UNFINISHED GAME OF KOKKURI.

HEH.



MUHYO DOES IT BETTER!



AH HA HA.

I SEE, I SEE.

YOU STILL DON'T UNDERSTAND!



STOP HALFWAY, AND YOU GIVE THE GHOST A CHANCE TO TAKE FORM.

KOKKURI IS A KIND OF CONTRACTUAL SEANCE—THE CALLER HAS THE POWER. SHOW NO FEAR, NEGOTIATE WELL, AND THE SPIRIT WILL LEAVE.

LISTEN TO ME, GIRL.



POM POM CHIRIN

HEY, WHAT'RE YOU GETTING AT?!



HMM...

WITH A SHAMANESS FOR A FRIEND, THERE'S NO TELLING WHEN IT'LL HAPPEN AGAIN.



THEN ALL'S WELL.

BUT ...



I WON'T DO IT AGAIN.

I'M SORRY.





IT'S  
ME.



ER...  
SORRY.



IS THAT  
COMING  
FROM  
YOUR  
HOUSE  
?!

WHAT IS  
THAT?  
FESTIVAL  
DRUMS?  
WHERE'S THAT  
COMING  
FROM?

HEY,  
DON'T  
LOOK  
AT  
ME!



WHOA!  
LOOK  
AT ALL  
THOSE  
PHONES!

EBISU  
HERE!

HELLO?  
WHICH  
ONE  
IS IT!  
HELLO?

WHAT A  
WEIRDO...

WHY THE  
FESTIVAL  
DRUM  
RINGTONE?



SENDA!  
...?!



...BRANCH.



WHAT  
COULD  
IT BE?

ZUP!!

SIR! IT'S  
FROM THE  
SENDAI  
BRANCH!





UM,  
SHOULD  
I?

YOU  
REALLY  
DON'T  
KNOW WHO  
MASTER  
GORYO IS,  
DO YOU?!

SIGH.



...A  
PRACTI-  
TIONER?

AND  
YOU CALL  
YOUR-  
SELF...

HEH  
HEH.



ONLY  
THE BEST  
EXECUTORS  
ARE CHOSEN  
TO LEAD  
EACH OFFICE.

THEY'RE  
THE CREAM  
OF THE CROP!  
NINETY-NINE  
OFFICES  
ACROSS THE  
COUNTRY!

HOW  
CAN YOU  
POSSIBLY  
PRACTICE  
IN THIS  
COUNTRY  
AND NOT  
KNOW THE  
GORYO  
GROUP?!

THEIR  
INFLUENCE  
ON THE  
ASSOCIATION  
IS VAST!

AND THE  
LEADER OF  
THE ENTIRE  
GORYO  
GROUP...





AND  
HE'S  
THE  
BOSS?!

N-  
NINETY-  
NINE  
OFFICES?!



OH, SO HE'S  
A CEO. THAT'S  
WHY HE'S  
SO RUDE.



MY,  
MY...



IT WENT  
PERFECTLY,  
BUT THE  
OLD BAG  
REFUSED  
TO PAY!

OH, JUST  
THAT  
EXORCISM  
AGAIN.

SOMETHING  
WRONG,  
SIR?



...IS  
STANDING  
RIGHT  
THERE.

DARANIMARU  
GORYO!!



I ORDERED  
THEM TO  
HAVE HER  
POSSESSED  
AGAIN.

SHE'LL  
PAY...  
OR DIE.

GONE  
COMPLETELY  
MAD.

NOW IT  
TURNS  
OUT  
SHE'S  
LOST IT.

I CAN'T  
BELIEVE YOU'RE  
EVEN SAYING  
SOMETHING  
LIKE THAT!

KEE  
HEE HEE.  
THAT'LL  
DELAY  
PAYMENT  
FOR SURE!

HUH?

EBISU,  
IF YOU  
WOULD.

AH,  
YES.

SIR!

FAP

NO  
MATTER.  
HER  
RELATIVES  
CAN PICK  
UP THE  
TAB!  
AH HA HA.





BETTER  
ASK YOUR  
PARENTS.

CHARGE  
FOR SPIRIT  
REMOVAL—  
\$50,000.

**INVOICE**  
**\$50,000**  
PLEASE PAY ABOVE  
NO TAX HAS  
PERIOD

I'M SURE  
THEY WON'T  
FIND THE  
PRICE TOO  
DEAR.

YOU  
WERE  
GOING  
TO DIE.

...  
THOU-  
SAND ?

FIFTY  
...

THINK  
ABOUT  
IT.  
HEY!

WIP

I'M SURE  
YOU COULD  
EARN IT.  
PRETTY  
GIRL LIKE  
YOU.

HOW  
...

HOW  
COULD  
YOU  
...!!

YOU  
HAVE  
A  
MONTH  
TO PAY.

BUT  
...  
BUT  
!...

OH,  
YEAH.

IF  
YOU  
CAN'T  
AFFORD  
IT,  
YOU  
COULD  
ALWAYS  
SPLIT IT  
WITH  
YOUR  
FRIEND  
YUMI.









AHH ...

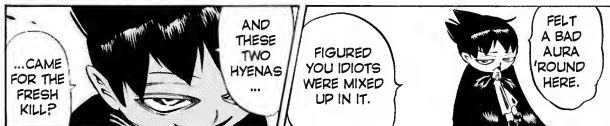
FUP

THE  
GENIUS  
SHOWS  
HIM-  
SELF.

HOW'D  
YOU  
FIND  
US?

MUHYO!

MUHYO!!



...CAME  
FOR THE  
FRESH  
KILL?

AND  
THESE  
TWO  
HYENAS  
...

FIGURED  
YOU IDIOTS  
WERE MIXED  
UP IN IT.

FELT  
A BAD  
AURA  
'ROUND  
HERE.



THAT  
THORN  
IS YOU,  
MUHYO.

I'M  
TAKING  
YOUR  
BUREAU!

I'VE BEEN  
THINKING...  
I NEED AN EVENT.  
SOMETHING TO  
SECURE MY  
REPUTATION.

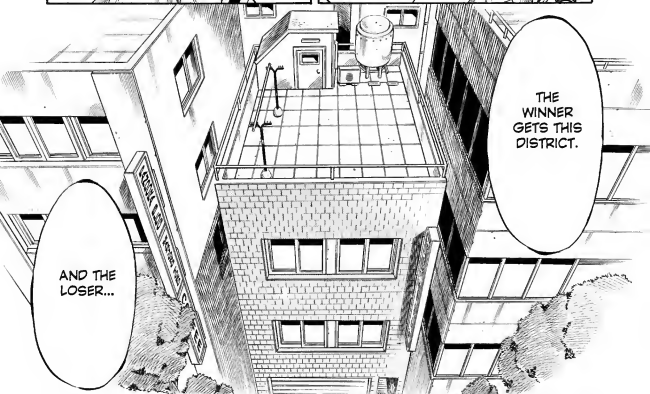
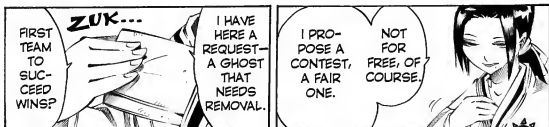
FAP  
FAP

BUT THERE'S THIS  
ONE THING...THIS  
THORN IN MY SIDE  
FROM MY M.L.S.  
DAYS.

ZAZZAP

DID  
YOU KNOW  
WE'RE ABOUT  
TO OPEN OUR  
100TH OFFICE,  
MUHYO?







## HANAO EBISU

BIRTHDAY: DECEMBER 21

HEIGHT: 130 CM

LIKES: RAMEN

CHINESE BUNS (PARTICULARLY WITH MEAT FILLING)

TAIYAKI/ SWEET WAFFLE

TAKOYAKI/ OCTOPUS BALLS

OKONOMIYAKI/ JAPANESE PANCAKE

TALENTS: ASSISTING IN GORYO'S PERSONAL AFFAIRS  
(SO HE THINKS, THOUGH SO DOES EVERYONE  
ELSE IN THE GORYO GROUP)

THIS INCLUDES:

- PREPARING CLOTHES AND DRESSING
- SCHEDULING
- DRIVING
- ARRANGING MEALS

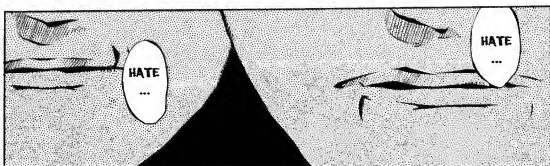
EARLY RISER (DOESN'T NEED ALARM CLOCK)

NOT GOOD WITH: ANGRY GORYO  
CRAMPED SPACES  
HIGH PLACES

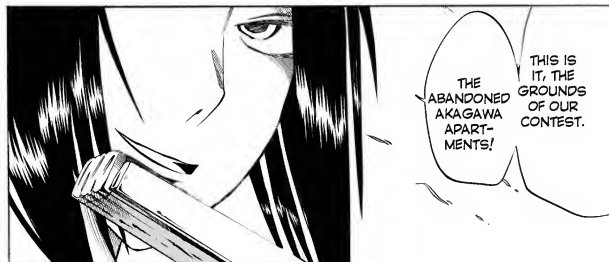




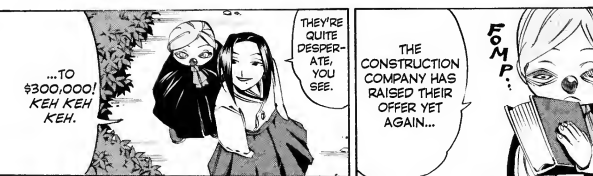
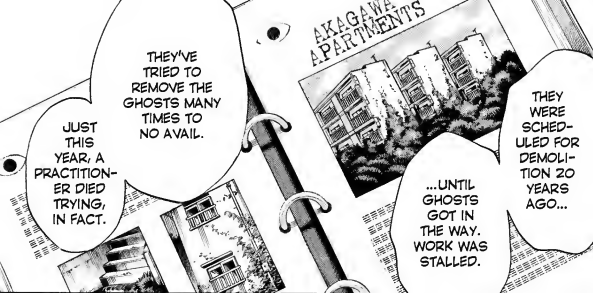
ARTICLE 40  
**AKAGAWA APARTMENTS**



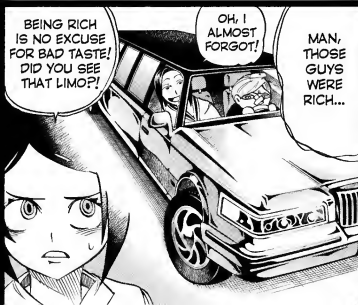




















EVEN  
THEIR  
OWN  
FAMILY  
MEMBERS  
WEREN'T  
SAFE.

SWIFT  
VENGEANCE  
FOR  
BETRAYAL.

HOSTILE  
TAKE-  
OVERS.

COVER-  
UPS.

EXTOR-  
TION.

BRIBERY.

THEY  
BECAME  
OBSESSED  
WITH WEALTH.  
WRETCHED  
FIENDS,  
TROLLING  
FOR PREY.



BUT  
THEY MAKE  
SURE THAT  
NOT A  
BIT OF  
EFFORT IS  
WASTED.

IT'S  
QUITE  
ADMIRABLE  
WHAT THEY  
CAN ACCOM-  
PLISH.

THEY'RE  
NOT THAT  
GOOD WITH  
THE BIG  
MAGIC  
LAWS.

STRATEGY  
...!



WOW,  
THAT'S  
PRETTY  
HARD-  
CORE!



THE GORYO  
OFFICES OF  
MAGIC LAW  
PRIDE THEMSELVES  
ON TOP-OF-  
THE-LINE  
STRATEGY.

AND  
THAT'S  
JUST  
THE BE-  
GINNING.



AND NOW  
THEY'VE SET  
THEIR EYES  
ON US.

HEE  
HEE.

FLIIP

SO...

...

AND  
THERE'S  
NO WAY  
MUHYO'LL  
LOSE!  
RIGHT,  
NANAP?

SHAKE  
SHAKE

THEY  
CAN'T  
PUSH US  
AROUND!!

MUHYO,  
LOSE?

ZZIP

KLIK

NOT IF  
I HAVE  
ANYTHING  
TO SAY  
ABOUT IT!

K  
A  
H  
!!

!!

ZOK

SO  
WHAT?!





I DECREE  
AN ARGENT  
CURTAIN!

WOON



WH-WHAT'S  
THIS  
...?



SPECIAL  
PROVI-  
SION  
9...

BY THE  
LAWS OF  
MAGIC...



IDIOT!  
  
STAY  
THERE,  
I MEAN  
IT!

AW, I WAS  
JUST GOING  
TO TAKE  
A FEW  
PICTURES...



YOU  
WOULDN'T  
LISTEN ANYWAY!  
THIS IS MY WAY  
OF CUTTING  
YOU OFF.

FOP



THE  
GHOSTS  
CAN'T SEE  
YOU THAT  
WAY.

DON'T  
STEP  
OUTSIDE  
THAT  
CIRCLE.

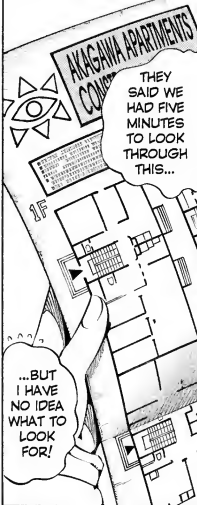


HUH... I WAS  
EXPECTING  
YOU'D TELL  
ME TO  
LEAVE.





WHO'S  
THE BROAD  
WITH THE  
BIG BA-  
ZOOMIES?



THEY  
SAID WE  
HAD FIVE  
MINUTES  
TO LOOK  
THROUGH  
THIS...

...BUT  
I HAVE  
NO IDEA  
WHAT TO  
LOOK  
FOR!



WHO  
ASKED  
YOU TO  
WORRY?

ARE  
YOU  
READY,  
MUHYO?

I  
KNOW  
YOU  
WANT  
TO  
FIGHT,  
BUT...



GRIN...

I'M GOING  
TO GO  
INDEPENDENT,  
MAKE A LOAD  
OF CASH, AND  
GET A GAL  
LIKE HER TO  
WAIT ON ME  
HAND AND  
FOOT!

I GOT  
THIS  
DREAM...



CHOICEY  
MEATS,  
THAT ONE.  
KEH KEH  
KEH.

WHERE'D  
HE  
COME  
FROM?!



SHE'S A  
FRIEND!  
WHAT'S  
IT TO  
YOU?!

THIS  
GUY'S  
SICK!!









WE  
HAVE A  
CURE FOR  
SQUEALERS,  
YOU KNOW.

YOU  
SQUEAL  
TOO  
MUCH,  
LITTLE  
PIGGY.



YOU EXIST  
FOR NO  
OTHER  
PURPOSE.  
UNDER-  
STAND?

YOU'RE  
NOTHING  
BUT A TOOL  
FOR THE  
GORYO  
GROUP TO  
USE AS IT  
SEES FIT.



KUSANO...  
FORGIVE  
MY LITTLE  
WRETCH'S  
OUT-  
BURST.



UN-  
BELIEV-  
ABLE  
...

IT'S  
ALMOST  
TIME.



...!!

SLUMP...



GAK  
GAK...



WHAT'S  
UP  
WITH  
THEM  
?

UM ...









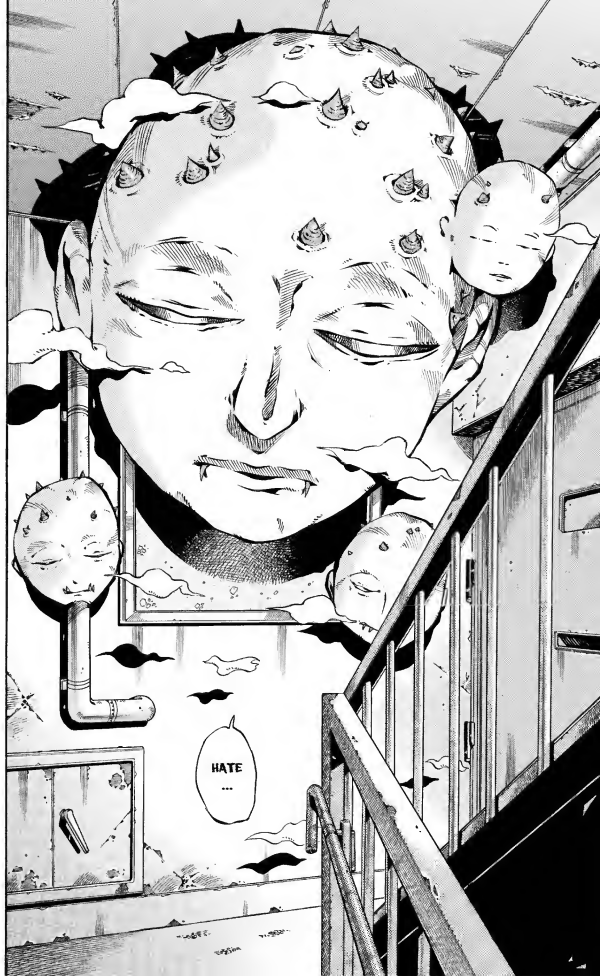








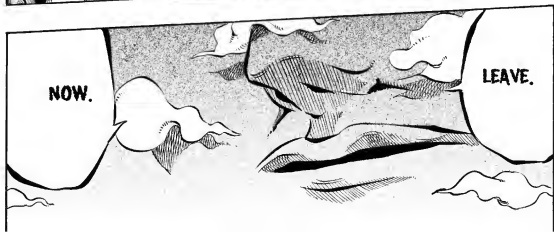




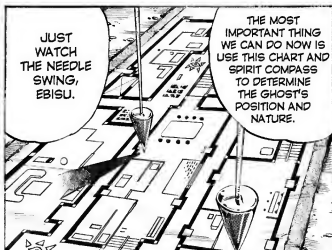
HATE

...













WE  
DID IT!  
HEY,  
THAT  
WAS  
PRETTY  
EASY!

WAIT.



WHAT  
...?!



TCH.



THIS  
BATTLE  
IS  
GOING  
EXACTLY  
TO  
PLAN!



# FAN MAIL WANTED!



HAVE A MESSAGE FOR  
THE AUTHOR? SEND IT  
HERE, AND SEND LOTS!

YOSHIYUKI NISHI  
C/O MUHYO & ROJI'S  
BSI EDITOR  
VIZ MEDIA  
P.O. BOX 77010  
SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94107

HEE HEE... DON'T  
MESS UP THE  
ADDRESS NOW.





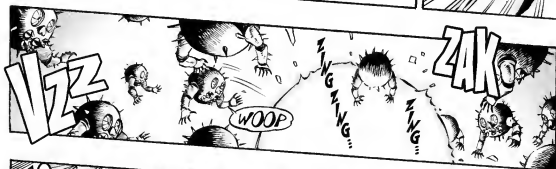
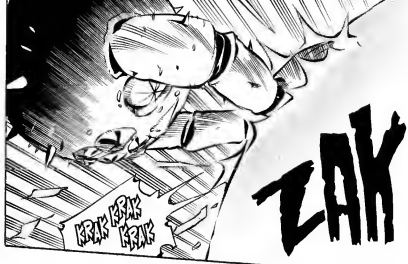












WHERE'D  
THEY  
GO?!



KEH. IT KNEW  
I HAD HIM ON  
THE NEXT  
SHOT. IT'S  
LEARNED.











SHUP...

BY  
WAY OF  
CON-  
GRATU-  
LA-  
TIONS...

...SHALL  
I TELL YOU  
OF THIS  
GHOST  
WE FACE?



QUITE  
RIGHT.

YOUR  
SHAMANESS  
NATURE  
SHOWS  
ITSELF...

IT  
BEGINS WITH  
AN ENDING...  
THE TRAGIC  
STORY OF A  
MOTHER AND  
CHILD.



THE  
AKAGAWA  
APARTMENTS  
WERE BORN IN  
THE HOUSING  
BOOM OF THE  
SIXTIES.

THE  
AKAGAWA  
APARTMENTS  
WERE NO  
EXCEPTION.  
SOON, ONLY  
A THIRD  
OF THE  
UNITS  
WERE  
FILLED.

CHEAP  
APARTMENTS  
WERE  
ABANDONED.

BUT  
WHEN THE  
ECONOMIC  
BUBBLE  
SWELLED,  
PEOPLED  
MOVED ON  
TO RICHER  
ABODES...





WELL ...

YOU COULD ALWAYS BUY AN APARTMENT IN THE NEW BUILDING!

THEY SERVED THE REMAINING CLINGERS-ON WITH EVICTION NOTICES.



SOON, YOU'LL BE LIVING IN HEAVEN

MANAGEMENT DECIDED TO REBUILD.

AKAGAWA HEIGHTS

SUPER PRICE!

ONLY \$1,000,000!



IT'S GORGEOUS!

WOW! LOOK AT THAT BUILDING! LET'S LIVE THERE!



BWAH HA HA! THAT WAS PRETTY MEAN, BOSS! LIKE THEY COULD AFFORD IT! HAH!

SLAM

AMONG THOSE BEING PRESSURED TO LEAVE WAS A SINGLE MOTHER AND HER CHILD.



BUT THEY WERE HAPPY.

WELL, I SUPPOSE ...

... THINGS'LL WORK OUT.

YEP, YEP!



MOMMY! THE BATH'S READY!

WOP



THEY WERE POOR...

THE FATHER DIED QUITE YOUNG. THEY HAD LITTLE FAMILY TO SPEAK OF.

WHAT DO WE DO NOW?

WELL, DADDY ...











OF  
COURSE  
...!



YOU MADE  
THEM JUST  
FOR ME?

THANK  
YOU!!

CAN  
YOU MAKE  
FRIENDS  
FOR THEM?

THESE ARE  
THE BEST  
DOLLS  
IN THE  
WORLD!

NO,  
SHE  
WON'T!

I'M GOING  
TO GO  
SHOW YUKO  
OVER IN  
BUILDING  
F!



AI! WAIT!  
DON'T  
SHOW  
HER THAT,  
SHE'LL  
SCREAM!





A TRAGIC  
TALE, NO?

AH  
HA  
HA.

**BAM**...

MA'AM, I'M  
AFRAID I'M GOING  
TO HAVE TO ASK  
YOU TO LEAVE,  
NOW!!

THAT  
WAS THE  
FINAL  
STRAW.

**KRE** **EK.**

UNTIL MY  
DAUGHTER  
GETS  
BACK...

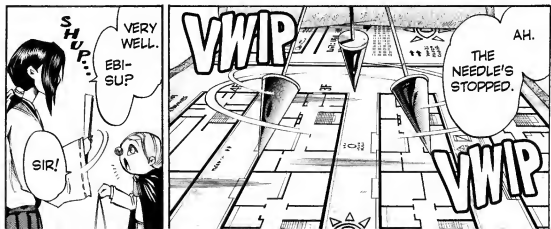
NO...  
I HAVE  
TO STAY.

THAT  
POOR  
MOTHER  
...

I HAVE  
TO MAKE  
MORE  
DOLLS...

SHE  
LOST  
IT...









O-  
ONE  
HUNDRED  
EIGHT,  
SIR?



IT'S  
THE  
PRIDE  
OF MY  
FAMILY.  
DON'T  
LET IT  
GO TO  
WASTE.



OVER  
SUCH A  
LARGE  
AREA?!

B-  
BUT,  
SIR!



YOU  
SAID  
YOU  
WANTED  
A  
CHANCE,  
EBISU.



I  
PERMIT  
YOU TO  
USE ONE  
OF THE  
GORYO  
SECRETS!

MANUEVER  
108!



WELL,  
HERE IS  
YOUR  
CHANCE.



SOME-  
THING'S  
NOT  
RIGHT  
WITH  
THEM...

WHAT'S  
GOING  
ON WITH  
THESE  
TWO?























MUHYO & ROJI'S BUREAU OF SUPERNATURAL INVESTIGATION:  
BONUS STORY











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# ROJI'S RECIPE

## GETTING SAUCY



JULWAWA...



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